

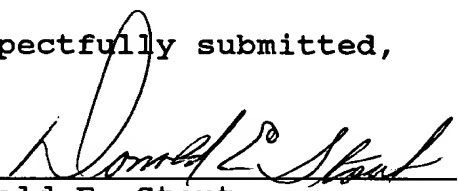
page 35 have already been made by an Examiner's Amendment. The amendments to pages 38, 92, 93 and 96 are consistent with the amendments made to page 35. The amendment to page 70 has been made to correct a typographical error.

The foregoing proposed amendments do not constitute subject matter requiring reexamination. Moreover, in a telephone conversation with Examiner Eickholt on February 2nd, Examiner Eickholt indicated that it was preferable for these amendments to be made by a Rule 312 Amendment.

Entry of the proposed amendments is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (800.22812X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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